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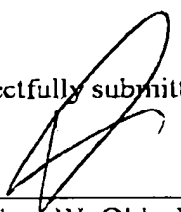
LETTER
Submission of Previously Filed Election

Dear Sir:

On May 8, 2003, applicant's representative received a telephone call from Examiner Gonzalez indicating that a response to the restriction requirement dated September 18, 2002 had not yet been received. In fact, and as attached to this Letter, an election was transmitted by facsimile on October 4, 2002. Copies of two receipts indicating that the election was received are also attached. Thus, applicant submits that there is adequate proof that the election was in fact transmitted to the Patent Office within the time period for response. Applicant asks that this election now be entered, and that this application be forwarded to the examiner for examination on the merits.

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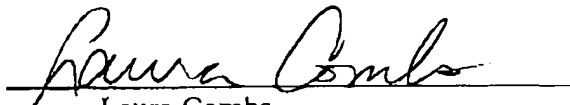
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